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In re application of:

Fukumura *et al.*

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Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)

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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for replying to the outstanding Office Action be extended an additional month from August 28, 2006, to September 28, 2006, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment. It is noted that a request for a two-month extension of time and fee were filed on August 28, 2006.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$570.00 for the third month's extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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